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Appraiser License Revocation

~ Board sanctions, fines individual for violations ~

RICHMOND – The Virginia Real Estate Appraiser Board revoked the license of Thornwell A. Long at its most recent meeting Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Following is a summary of the Board's actions. Copies of the file order is available online at www.dpor.virginia.gov under "License Lookup."

Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

THORNWELL A. LONG PORTSMOUTH, VA

File Number 2003-02770

COMPLAINANT – Gary Wallace/Citi Financial Mortgage

VIOLATIONS – Long failed to comply with provisions of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraiser Practice (USPAP) concerning appraisal development and report requirements. BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 4001001950 and a \$500 fine.

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About DPOR and the Real Estate Appraiser Board:

The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) administers and enforces laws regulating 31 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 265,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; pursues complaints of criminal activity by unlicensed practitioners; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions; and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The nine-member Board – composed of six licensed real estate appraisers, a mortgage lender representative, and two citizen appointees – licenses 3,688 Virginia businesses and individuals who estimate the value of real estate.

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